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Erie Boulevard Hydropower, L.P. and Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe

Project No. 7518-018

NOTICE OF APPLICATION ACCEPTED FOR FILING, SOLICITING COMMENTS, MOTIONS TO INTERVENE, AND PROTESTS

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. Types of Application: Surrender of License

b. Project No.: 7518-018

c. Date Filed: January 21, 2015

d. Applicants: Erie Boulevard Hydropower, L.P. (Erie) and Saint Regis

Mohawk Tribe (Tribe)

e. Name of Projects: Hogansburg Hydroelectric Project

f. Location: On the St. Regis River in Franklin County, New York. The

project does not occupy any federal lands.

g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 USC 791a-825r.

h. Applicant Contact: For Erie, Mr. John A. Whittaker, IV, Winston & Strawn LLP,

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i. FERC Contact: M. Joseph Fayyad at (202) 502-8759, or email at

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- j. Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene and protests, is 30 days from the issuance date of this notice. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. All documents may be filed using the Commission's eFiling system at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. Please include the project number (P-7518-018) on any comments, motions to intervene, protests, or recommendations filed.
- k. Description of Request: The applicants propose to surrender the license for the Hogansburg Project due to uneconomic conditions resulting from a number of issues regarding project's potential effects on fish passage and water quality that were raised during relicensing proceedings. The applicants have consulted with the relevant state and federal resource agencies and stakeholders and have entered into a Settlement Agreement with those entities endorsing the surrender and decommissioning process. As part of the Surrender, the applicants intend to decommission the project facilities.
- l. Locations of the Application: A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 502-8371. This filing may also be viewed on the Commission's website at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. You may also register online at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, call 1-866-208-3676 or e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, for TTY, call (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above.
- m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.
- n. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene: Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

- o. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents: Any filing must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, motions to intervene or protests must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). All comments, motions to intervene or protests should relate to project works which are the subject of the license surrender. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application. If an intervener files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency. A copy of all other filings in reference to this application must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.
- p. As provided for in 18 CFR 4.34(b)(5)(i), the applicant must file, no later than 60 days following the date of issuance of this notice of acceptance: (1) a copy of the water quality certification; (2) a copy of the request for certification, including proof of the date on which the certifying agency received the request; or (3) evidence of waiver of water quality certification.

Dated: April 16, 2015

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.

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